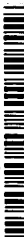


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Attorney Docket No. 36 06897  
First Named Inventor Elizabeth Ann Beamon and Kenneth Hunnicutt  
Title Digital Loop Carrier Module for Proactive Maintenance Application  
Express Mail Label No. EJ841202256US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS  
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1. ☒ Specification Total Pages 33  
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- Descriptive title of the Invention  
- Cross References to Related Applications  
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D  
- Reference to Microfiche Appendix  
- Background of the Invention  
- Brief Summary of the Invention  
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)  
- Detailed Description  
- Claim(s)  
- Abstract of the Disclosure
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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, See 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
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7. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))  
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